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To protect and serve: Security on call 24/7

By JO2 Christal A. Bailey and Bart Jackson **Navy Charleston Shoreline**

Naval Weapons Station Charleston's security force is made up of diverse specialties;



patrols in housing and ordnance, detectives, administrative force. Despite what some people think, there's much more to base security than just gate guards and vehicle inspections.

The current mission of the Security department is to safely and professionally provide law enforcement, security, force protection and anti-terrorism to the civilian and military personnel onboard Naval Weapons Station Charleston in support of the installation and region mission.

Sounds simple right? Well there's a little more to it than just providing security. It takes three eight-hour shifts working 24/7 to accomplish this mission. In addition to constant patrol, training is a key element to the security

According to Lt. Gilbert Clark, security officer, every member of the force must go through the same training as civilian police. "The uniqueness of our positions is found within the areas we are required to protect," he said. "The training we cover is essential in making our department act and feel like any other police agency in the country."

photo by JO2 Christal A. Bailey MA2 Danique Glenn inspects a truck driver's vehicle and Station passes before waving him through Gate 1 recently.

In the future, Clark hopes that the departriver patrols, dispatchers and the all-important ment continues to adapt to real world situations to ensure the mission is always met. Some of the major initiatives on the horizon for the security department include the new security building, continuing construction on the base for the force protection and anti-terrorism projects, and a state-of-the-art dog kennel for the military working dog program.

> "We hope to ensure that the future of the Navy's law enforcement is solidified by providing the latest training and opportunity for professional growth for all members in the department," Clark said.

> The Shoreline staff recently spent some time with various teams from the Security department, and these are their stories:

> Detectives: After eight years on the force Kurt A. Millbaugh, has seen it all, well almost. He serves in the investigative branch of the force, along with three other detectives. They work very closely with local authorities in the investigation and prosecution of criminal acts that take place on post. "We have good working relationship, and the sharing of information is vital," said Millbaugh. "The command is very good about current training and updates in the latest trends and activities. This information enables me do my job better, which in turn

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Station galley named runner-up for top award

By Journalist Second Class Christal A. Bailey **Navy Charleston Shoreline**

Naval Weapons Station Charleston's Rainbow Row Galley has earned the honor of being named runner up for the Ney Award in the east coast general mess category. The galley team competed against various galleys along the east coast receiving Five-Star Accreditation in September 2003.

Navy Secretary Gordon R. England announced the 2004 winners of the Navy Captain Edward F. Ney Memorial Awards and the Marine Corps Major General W.P.T. Hill Memorial Awards for outstanding food service last week.

"This award recognizes the dedication and hard work of these folks who professionally prepare over 4,000 meals per day, 365 days a year," said Capt. Robert M. Zalaskus, commanding officer of Naval Weapons Station Charleston.

Formal presentation of the awards to the winners will be made during the Joint Military and Food Service Excellence awards at the International Food Service Executives Association (IFSEA) conference April 26 in Denver, Colo.

The Ney and Hill awards recognize overall food service excellence by evaluating key areas in customer service, restauranteurship, cleanliness and management. An independent team that reviewed food preparation, management, administration, equipment safety, sanitation, plastic waste and disposal evaluated each category. The evaluation teams were made up of senior Navy and Marine Corps mess management specialists



Naval Weapons Station Charleston's Rainbow Row galley was named runner-up for the 2004 Captain Edward F. Ney Award.

and representatives from IFSEA

The Ney awards were established in 1958 and the Hill Awards in 1985 by the Secretary of the Navy and IFSEA to improve and recognize quality food service in the Navy and Marine Corps. IFSEA is a food service industry trade association whose members include executive chefs, operators, dietitians, consultants, managers and owners of catering firms, restaurants, hotels and clubs.

Naval Weapons Station Charleston



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Chaplains' Corner

Chaplain Ron S. O'Dell Jr., LTJG, USNR Naval Consolidated Brig

As the new chaplain assigned to the Naval Consolidated Brig, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to those of you I have not yet been able to meet.

After finishing Chaplain School in Newport, R.I., I reported to the brig as the new command chaplain. Although this is my first duty station as a Navy Chaplain, I am not new to the military. Prior to joining the Navy, I served in the Marine Corps (once a Marine, always a Marine OORAH!). I enjoyed the Marine Corps, but felt that God had other plans for my life.

Even while serving as a legal assistant in the Military Justice Office, I felt a desire to minister to others and tell how God had changed my life. Even while giving legal counseling to fellow Marines, I found the opportunity to give spiritual counseling as well.

After completing my tour, I went back to my hometown in upstate South Carolina and enrolled in theological studies at Erskine Theological Seminary. I also became an associate pastor and christian educator as well as worked with the prison ministry of a local church. All through my studies I felt as though God was calling me back to the military that

I loved and yet I knew that it had to be on His terms. It's amazing how God works out the details if we will only trust Him and give Him the helm.

By becoming a Navy chaplain, I am able to serve both God and country. I am afforded the unique opportunity to work for and along side some of the best individuals I could ever hope to meet and, with God's help, meet their spiritual needs as well. Looking back on the events of my life leading up to this point in time, I am able to see how God has prepared me for this mission and confirmed it in the life of others.

Recently, I came in contact with a former Marine I once served with years ago. After describing to him the events in my life that had brought me back into the military as a Navy chaplain, he seemed amazed, but not surprised. He also had much to share about God in his life and how our crossed paths had spiritually prepared him for unfortunate events in his life. My experience as an enlisted Marine, my time spent working with the prison ministry, being blessed with a supportive and Godly family, and many countless events only serve to enrich my ministry.

I look forward to serving in my new position and pray that God will bless and keep you and one day allow our paths to cross in His greater plan and purpose for our lives.

Briefly Speaking

2004 Spring/Submarine Ball

The 2004 Spring/Submarine Ball will be held April 17 at the Embassy Suites. Social hour will begin at 6 p.m. and dinner starts at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$30 for E-7 and up, \$25 for E-5 and E-6 and \$20 for E-1 to E-4. For more information contact LT Sean Ferguson at 574-8111 or EMC (SS) Greg Roberts at 574-8187.

Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Drive

The Navy Marine Corps Relief Society kicked of its 2004 Fund Drive recently and will accept donations through April 5. For more information, contact Chief Culinary Specialist Bryon French at 764-4111, or Master at Arms First Class Brian Hargrove at 743-0405.

Free comedy show for military

The Comedy Zone is celebrating its 20h anniversary by bringing comedy to the troops. Tickets for all active duty, retirees, Reservists, law enforcement personnel, firefighters, EMS, National Guard,

Border Patrol personnel and their dependents are free of charge. All other tickets are \$15 per person. See the top four comedians in the country on stage March 10 at the Plex on W. Aviation Ave. in North Charleston. Showtime is 8 p.m. Tickets are available by calling 225-7539 or 853-8669. For more information call Lisa Johnson at 853-8669.

Pet vaccination clinic

The Charleston Air Force Base Vet Clinic will hold a microchip/rabies vaccination clinic March 17 at the Self-Help Center on Fletcher St. from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. or until supplies run out. Services provided are rabies vaccination, \$7; distemper vaccination, \$14; bordetella vaccination, \$10; heartworm screeings, \$16; and "Home Again" microchipping, \$15 (microchipping is required for Station personnel). Cash and checks will be accepted. No credit cards please. All pets must be on a leash or in a carrier.

School celebrates 25 years of education

Story and photo by ET3 Jeanna Gibson Navy Charleston Shoreline

During the 1978-1979 school year, Marrington Elementary School opened its doors to reduce the large student body of Menriv Elementary School. After 25 years of education, it has proven to be well worth the effort.

Though it was designed to hold approximately 500 students from Navy and Marine families in grades Kindergarten through 5, there wasn't enough room and Marrington Elementary actually opened as K-4, which it remains today. When Marrington first opened, the faculty was pulling double duty teaching at both Menriv and Marrington Elementary Schools for part of the year.

Marrington Elementary has seen relatively few changes since it opened. In the 25 years it has been educating students, the school has had only four principals. Also,

six of the original teachers that watched the doors open are still teaching there today. "I have moved into three different houses, but have had the same classroom for the last 25 years," says Angie Simmons, one of the original six. "I like the school, it is really comfortable here."

The few changes Marrington Elementary has seen have been for the better. It now has an attendance of around 325 students instead of the 800 in 1989. In addition to the Navy and Marines having access to the school, it is also open to all other branches of the military that are living in base housing.

"This school has gained a reputation in the Naval community," says Principal Roy Hoyle, "New families coming into the area are always asking what has to be done to get housing inside the Marrington zone." Indeed, the school has made a great name for itself. "We have had three consecutive years



From left, Beth Davis, Neal Richardson, Angie Simmons, Mary Ann Gray and Lib Fabian celebrate Marrington Elementary School's 25th anniversary.

of an absolute rating of excellent, the past two years we have received the Palmetto Gold Award of Achievement, and this last year, we were the only school in the county to receive that Gold Award," said Hoyle.

security: Presence deters criminals

makes NWS Charleston a better place to live and work."

Ordnance Patrol: Officer Mike Karriker, a one-and-a-half year veteran of the force, and former Charleston County Officer, summed it up this way, "I feel very fortunate to work with such a fine group of men and women, who work with their hearts, as well as their heads," said Karriker. "We work three eight-hour shifts. We check each and every magazine, storage area and perimeter, constantly. Safety is my main concern," he said. "The goal for me and my team is to make sure we all make it home safe each night."

Housing Patrol: Master at Arms Seaman Scott Larson has served at the Weapons Station for a year and a half. "A bored day is a good day," said Larson. "A lot can happen in eight hours." Larson a boat as the sun is coming up. This is a chance to do said he feels that the security team is very effective.

"Our physical presence alone deters criminals," he said.

Larson is in one of many patrol units that patrols the Menriv housing area. Throughout his shift, Larson may respond to drug calls, search

> vehicles or make traffic stops, but he said the most important thing he does is provide safety. "We're always looking out for families and helping people."

Water Patrol: Master at Arms Second Class Edward Poole said he enjoys the time he spends patrolling the Station's waterways. "It gives us a chance to break up the monotony of patrol," he said. The water patrol unit is a vital part of the Station's security force. "Being on a boat, we can protect assets that can't be patrolled on land. The water is an accessible point," said Poole adding, "If you don't have control on the water, these assets are vulnerable." Poole said he loves being out on the water. "It's nice to be out on

Redbank Club Grand Re-opening

Redbank Club will reopen its doors March 16 for all guests. The club was closed due to renovations. For more information call 764-7797.



Got a ship in your supply cabinet?

Rear Adm. Christopher Weaver: 'Many do, but change is coming'

BY Don Kennedy Staff Writer, The Flagship

What's in your supply cabinet? That, said Rear Adm. Christopher Weaver, Commander Naval Installations, is the central question that will steer a more efficient Navy through the 21st century.

It's the aspect of the new business models the sea service will operate under that means every sailor can affect readiness of the entire fleet. Weaver recalled his time aboard the destroyer Spruance.

"When I would conduct zone inspections, I'd open up a supply cabinet and see it packed full of legal pads," he said. "I asked, 'Does anyone know how many legal pads are in this cabinet?'

'Can anyone tell me how many legal pads this office needs to get their work done?'

'Uh, not really.'

"If you don't know what you need, how can you possibly know how many legal pads to order?"

The key is measuring output, Weaver said, and then ordering the right amount of legal pads to reach that output.

When Weaver looks in supply cabinets across the Navy, he sees an aircraft carrier or an F/A-18 Super Hornet or a new modern family housing complex.

The potential savings inherent in measuring output and applying the appropriate amount of resources - money, manpower and materials - is staggering.

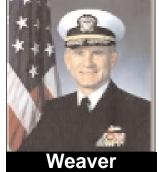
"Anything more than you need, to me, represents money tied up that could be used for something else - the recapitalization of the fleet, aircraft parts, improved services."

Measurements, Weaver insisted, are needed in every facet of naval operations - from how the sea service delivers personnel support to how many flight hours are needed by F/A-18 pilots. It's about applying the appropriate resources to bring readiness.

It's all about "intelligent consumption," Weaver said.

The Navy's new business model seeks to measure the outputs of every function in the Navy's support structure, and work backward to create the most efficient system to meet those needs.

Look back in that supply cabinet, and recall the "old way" the



supply system worked.

That system was inherently inefficient, penalizing commands and departments and division within commands that operated under their budgets. The next year after the command was in the black, fewer dollars came their way. And, why not? If a command showed it can do more with less, it is logical that it should be expected to do so. The rub is that,

often, missions and requirements change, and the old system wasn't really adequate to meet those challenges.

"Readiness with no consideration of cost is no longer an operative concept," Weaver, said, attributing that quote to Adm. Vern Clark, the chief of naval operations, who brought the concept of Commander Naval Installations (CNI) to reality a year ago. And, Clark's record as the Navy's top officer suggests that detractors may want to reserve judgment. He is the architect of the plan that transformed the dismal recruiting and retention numbers of the Navy, into the envy of the Department of Defense. His plans, without fail, have proved that thoughtful research and good planning and execution mean positive results.

Still, there are those who have their doubts about how effective Commander Naval Installations will be - those who say it's just another layer of an onion that is too big already.

Weaver shrugs off the criticism, confident that a more efficient system will reap huge benefits for the Navy.

And, he has good reason to be confident.

"In the past five years, we have seen this model paying huge dividends for the Navy," Weaver said.

While Weaver understands the negative connotation that comes with the "R" word, he contends that regionalization was a good thing for the Navy.

"We changed from 18 major claimants to eight, and we found that there were great rewards," Weaver said. "Now, we are peeling away at those eight layers of 'the onion,' and there will be one. And, with one central command for procurement and delivery of resources, efficiencies will continue to grow. Regionalization was a great case study for what we are doing at CNI. But, this isn't regionalization. What we are talking about with CNI is transformation."

What CNI is doing is changing the way support services are delivered. Moving beyond "regionalization" and its focus on geography, and looking ahead to bigger things, not the least of which is transformation. Transforming the Navy is a complex and expensive proposition - one that calls for a survey of how the Navy has functioned historically.

"It is important to remember that installations do not exist to be installations," Weaver explained. "They exist to support operational commands."

As one of the core elements of CNI's plans, that 'installationcentric' mentality, is going to change. The results of those changes may well be that installation commanding officers may move from their role of controlling every function within their gates, and serving more as influencers of those services. For example, the time a commanding officer spends overseeing, say, a personnel support detachment within his gates, could be time better spent managing the outputs and outcomes of those services, and the many other services provided on that installation. Reporting those outputs and the areas of need through the regional command to CNI, allows Weaver and his staff to make determinations on how to best allocate resources at all the installations throughout the fleet.

Weaver would argue that is a much better construct that giving each installation a budget, and telling them to function. It is much better, he said, for a regional command to oversee services where it makes sense, and allow the commanding officer to make sure the support the installation is providing to the fleet is adequate.

The end result, Weaver said, will be a Navy that has measurable "metrics" to help determine how to best use limited resources in the most effective ways.

And, you have the ability to bring about increased readiness. Do you have an aircraft carrier in your supply cabinet? That ship

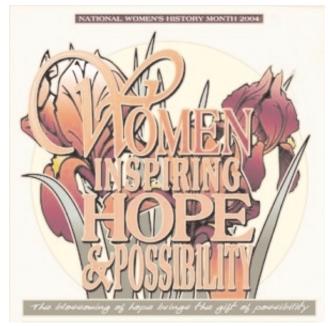
Women's History Month: 'Women Inspiring Hope and Possibility'

By Electronics Technician Third Class Jeanna Gibson Navy Charleston Shoreline

In 1978, the Education Task Force of the Sonoma County Commission on the Status of Women in California, began a "Women's History Week" celebration. The week was chosen to coincide with International Women's Day, which was first celebrated March 8, 1911, in Europe.

Three years later, the United States Congress passed a resolution establishing National Women's History Week, which was expanded to a month in 1987 at the request of the National Women's History Project. A National Women's History Month Resolution was quickly approved with strong bipartisan support in both the House and Senate. Since 1992, a Presidential Proclamation has carried the directive for what is now a major national and international celebration.

The 2004 theme, "Women Inspiring Hope and Possibility," celebrates the hope and sense of possibility that comes to our lives from the inspirational work of women. Hope comes in many forms from laws challenged and changed, new medical research, stories of compassion and courage, and watching women stand tall against great odds. The eight 2004 honorees represent this vision of hope in myriad ways. The 2004 National Women's History Month Honorees, in alphabetical order, are: Sarah Buel, Edna Campbell, Jill Ker Conway, Marian Wright Edelman, Maxine Hong Kingston, Dr. Susan B. Love, Vilma Martinez and Leslie Marmon



Silko.

Here are some important events in Women's History: 1893- New Zealand becomes the first nation to grant women the right to vote.

1896- The first women's intercollegiate basketball game in the United States is held, with Stanford University defeating the University of California at

Berkeley

1920- With the passage of the Nineteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, U.S. women get the vote.

1928- Women compete for the first time in Olympic field events.

1932- Amelia Earhart becomes the first woman to fly across the Atlantic alone.

1933- Frances Perkins becomes Secretary of Labor, the first woman cabinet member in U.S. history.

1963- Russian cosmonaut Valentina Tereshkova becomes first woman in space.

1981- Sandra Day O'Connor appointed first woman U.S. Supreme Court Justice.

1999- General Motors and Saturn Corp. officials announce that Cynthia M. Trudell will become Saturn's new president and the first woman to head a U.S. car company.

2000- Hillary Rodham Clinton is elected to the U.S. Senate representing New York, becoming the first First Lady to be elected to a political office.

2000- Doris "Granny D" Haddock finishes her 3,200-mile walk across the United States to advocate campaign finance and a voice for the people of the nation. Haddock was 90 years old at the time.

2002- Halle Berry becomes the first African-American woman to win an Academy Award for best female actress.

2003- Californian Nancy Pelosi becomes the first woman to serve as Democratic Minority Leader in the U.S. House of Representatives.



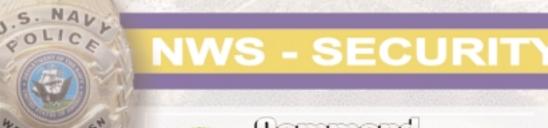
Jannie Simmons, left, of the Naval Weapons Station Youth Center, accepts a computer from Dennis Perry of Conagra Grocery, while commisarry managers Neal McPherson and Sandy Flynn look on. The Naval Weapons Station Charleston Commissary donated the computer to the Youth Center through a promotion by Conagra Grocery. The Youth Center will use the computer for children's homework.

Around the Station



Marrington Elementary School recently held its annual Science Fair. Top, fourth graders from left, Eugene Burns, second place; Zach Re, third place; Keree Domrose, third place; Jonell Harris, first place; and Oscar Tequida, honorable mention. Below, third graders from left, Kellet Jordan, honorable mention; Miranda Parrish, second place; John Burrell, honorable mention; Antonio Diaz, first place; and Brittany Wessels, third place.







Security heads up new K-9 program on Station

By Journalist Second Class Christal A. Bailey **Navy Charleston Shoreline**

Naval Weapons Station Charleston's Security department has welcomed aboard Rocky, the first military working dog to set foot, I mean paw, inside the new K-9 unit. However you word it, Rocky is truly a pioneer for the Station's K-9 unit.

Station security forces have stepped up since the Sept. 11 attacks on America, and Rocky is just a fraction of what Security does to ensure personnel on Station are safe. Naval Weapons Station Charleston received Rocky from Naval Station Roosevelt Roads in Puerto Rico Jan. 15.

According to Master at Arms First Class Nathan Hooper of the K-9 Unit, this is the first military working dog employed on Station. "The old naval base had them, so there was no need for them here on Station," he said.

Currently, there is no kennel on Station to house members of the K-9 unit, so the unit at Charleston Air Force Base is where Rocky calls home. "We don't have a kennel at this

time, but we hope to get one soon," said Hooper. "In the future we hope to have up to six teams of dogs and handlers."

Rocky, who is nine years old, is trained to do a variety of jobs. Station personnel may catch a glimpse of Rocky with his handler Master at Arms First Class Kenneth Spade around the base inspecting deliveries and performing random inspections.

Spade who has been a handler for five years, said it takes time to get to know any new partner, whether of the twolegged or four-legged variety, and Rocky is no exception. "We don't train for the first two weeks so we can build a rapport with the dogs," said Spade. "So far Rocky and I have a great relationship."

Rocky and his handler were trained at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. The dogs are re-tested periodically and must maintain certification status.

After basic training, a military working dog can be worth \$20,000 or more. Some dogs serve as long as 10 or 11 years before retiring.



PomFLANT entrance.



Admin. Assistant Amanda Chadwell handles day-to-day administrative tasking.



MA1 Kenneth Spade with partner Military working dog Rocky.

photos by Bart Jackson and JO2 Christal A. Bailey

MA3 Fredrick Favors stands watch at a NWS entry gate.

POLICE



Officer Mike Karriker updates an inspection log during patrol of the ordnance area.



Special Response Team members alongside Special Response Vehicle.



A second shift patrolman is issued firearm and ammunition during shift change



Dispatcher Paulina Hill (left) and Officer Vanderbilt Evans man the main dispatch control board.



Pre-shift military quarters



MASN Aaron Timbs at the helm during routine river patrol.

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Information & Referral (I&R)

Have you heard!? There is FREE Income Tax Preparers on base? Need to sit and chat with a counselor? There is an I&R website called Navy One Source with information for all areas in the states. Go to website www.navyonesource.com. More information is added daily to this site. Do you want to volunteer? Need information about free Income Tax Preparers on base? Need to talk to a financial counselor? If you need answers to questions, call 764-7294/7480.

Counseling Services

Are you having trouble focusing on your life's goal or school? Just call and make an appointment for our free counseling! We have trained counselors to help you through this time. You can make an individual appointment or with your spouse. We visit some commands during the day to talk. If you are an active duty or retiree, spouse of an active duty, retiree, widow, widower or POW family member survivor, you qualify for our free and confidential services. Call 764-7294 for an appointment.

Do you know your Command Family Ombudsman?

Ombudsmen are information and referral people. A command family ombudsman is there to answer questions. Each command has an ombudsman. If you have questions such as: special needs of family member, moving, childcare, or about activities within your spouse's command, call your command ombudsman or Tommie Provost, 764-7294, ext. 48 to find the name of your ombudsman.

WORKSHOP DATE TIME

Anger Management Mar. 9 & 18 1:30-4 p.m., 9-11:30 a.m.

Baby Basics Mar. 9 9-Noon Infant Massage Mar. 11 10-11 a.m.

Pre-separation Counseling Monthly

Every Wed. 9-11:30 a.m. Playmornings 1:30-2:30 p.m. Resume Writing Mar. 17

Spouse Orientation Every Tues. 10 a.m. Stress Management Mar. 16 1-4 p.m. Teen Jive Group Mar. 10 4-5:15 p.m. 9:30-11 a.m. Training Wheels Mar. 18

Volunteer Mon.-Fri. 8-4 p.m.



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Station gears up for 20th annual Fleet Feet 5K cross country race

By Glenn Cox **MWR Publicity Specialist**

On your mark! Get set! Go! Start getting in shape for Naval Weapons Station Charleston's 20th annual Fleet Feet 5K Cross Country Race and Kids' 1-Mile Fun Run. The race is right around the corner and will be held March 27 at Marrington Plantation.

The 5K Cross Country Race course is run on various uneven surfaces consisting predominately of unpaved wilderness trails and roadways. There will be one water stop on the course with drinks and fruit available after the race.

The 1-Mile Fun Run is on similar terrain, a half-mile into the wilderness and a half-mile back. Both male and female runners from ages 18 and under to 60 and older and all ages in between may register for the 5K Cross Country Race. Children (ages 13 and under) may register for the 1-Mile Fun Run.

The races will be held at Marrington Plantation off Redbank Road. Both race courses begin and end within the plantation property. The 5K Cross Country Race will start at 9 a.m. and the Kids' 1-Mile Fun Run will begin at approximately 9:45 a.m.

Awards will be given to the top three

male and top three female finishers overall and in each age group. All Kids' 1-Mile Fun Run participants will receive a free t-shirt.

Registration is free of charge for all active duty personnel (show military I.D. when registering). T-shirts will be \$10 for these participants, but are only guaranteed for pre-registered runners (registered by March 19). For all other participants, the pre-registration fee is \$12 until March 19. Registrations are accepted by mail or at the Station Athletics office and the Liberty office. The fee includes a t-shirt and post race refreshments. No refunds will be given. Late registration fee is \$15 for entries received after March 19. T-shirts are not guaranteed with late entries. Race day registration is \$15 and will be held from 7 to 8:30 a.m. at Marrington Plantation. There is no registration fee for the 1-Mile Fun Run.

Registration is open to all authorized Station personnel and the general public. The race will be held rain or shine. All proceeds benefit Navy Youth Activities. For more information on the 20th annual Fleet Feet 5K Cross Country Race, call Mark Mikhitarian, race director, at 764-7530, or the Liberty office at 764-7002.

Intramural run

Naval Weapons Station's intramural run will be held in conjunction with the Fleet Feet 5K Cross Country Race at Marrington Plantation on March 27. There is no charge if you are running in the intramucompetition Captain's Cup points only. However, runners who desire a Fleet Feet T-shirt must pay \$10 and register by March 19. All intramural runners must fill out an application and "INTRAMURAL PARTIC-IPANT" at the top of the application. For more information, call the Athletics office at 764-7530.

LIBERTY Program

Unless otherwise indicated, Liberty trips and events are open to all hands of Naval Weapons Station Charleston and its tenant commands (active duty, civilian, and dependents, ages 18 and up). Sign up for these events at the NNPTC Activity Complex or the Liberty office (building 206, NNPTC Circle). The Liberty office is open from 8 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Call 764-7002 for more information or check us out on the MWR website at www.mwr.nwschs.navy.mil.

Pool Tournament, March 16, 5:30 p.m.

Stop by The Dive and compete for great prizes in our biweekly pool tournaments. The only charge is the cost of the game. For additional information, call 764-7002.

Paintball March 21, 9:30 a.m.

For just \$25, you'll get a trip to Paintball Charleston including all equipment, as well as 500 rounds of paintballs. Sign up in the Liberty office at building 206 by March 17. Call 764-7002 for more information.

Spring Break Trip, March 26-28

Take a well-deserved break and join Liberty as we head to an ocean front hotel in Myrtle Beach. The cost is \$50, which includes transportation and lodging. Sign up in the Liberty office (Bldg. 206) by March 15.

Women's History Month

To honor women in history during Women's History Month in March, the Library will have a poster display and give away handouts about famous women. For more information, call 764-7900.

National Pig Month

To celebrate National Pig Month in March, the Library will give away free piggy banks to the first 50 participants. Children 3-10 years old must read one pig book and four other books about fictional or non-fictional animals. Participants will be given reading records to list their book titles. The reading records must be turned in before April 1 to redeem piggy banks. For more information, call 764-7900.

Want to start your own business?

Why not become a certified Child Development Homes provider. For more information about the CDH program, attend the next orientation class March 15 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at 66 Von Steuben Street, or call the CDH office at 764-7347. You can also stop by the CDH office at 66 Von Steuben Street from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.



Family Housing birth announcement

Congratulations to Builder Second Class
Jason Busby and his wife, Kelly, on the
birth of their daughter, Brooklynn Saige
Busby, born Jan. 21. Brooklynn weighed
seven pounds, 12 ounces, and was 18
3/4 inches long. Brooklynn has a big
brother named Benjamin.

If you would like your baby's birth announced in *Shoreline*, call Cheryl Harris, Housing Welcome Center, 764-7218/7219.

Yard sale signs

Spring is almost here and so is yard sale season. The Self-Help Store will post addresses of residents having yard sales on the Yard Sale Board.

To have your address placed on the Yard Sale Board, contact the Self-Help Store at 764-7870 by 5 p.m., on the Thursday prior to the sale.

Posting of any signs in housing, or anywhere on Naval Weapons Station Charleston is prohibited. Signs posted on telephone poles and streetlights will be removed and the party placing them will be contacted.

For residents having items for sale or other notices to publish, the classified section of the *Shoreline* newspaper is an excellent resource.

The *Shoreline* is published and delivered to Housing residents twice monthly and classified ads are free.

Free classifieds are offered to active duty and reserve personnel only. They must be no more than three lines (40 letters and spaces per line) and must be emailed to Classified@DigglePub.Com.

Please include name, rank, a duty station phone number and a home phone number. Free classifieds must be for personal use and cannot be business in nature.

Bicycle laws and safety

There has been a great deal of concern recently regard-

ing children riding their bicycles on the sidewalks in housing, instead of on the many paved bike paths on Station.

South Carolina laws relating to bicycles are simple. If the area you or your child is riding has bike paths...you must use the bike paths. Where there isn't a bike path, you must ride in the roadway. Ride as near to the right side of the roadway as practicable.

Teaching your child to ride his or her shiny new bicycle is more than wearing a helmet and learning to stay balanced. There are four basic safety rules for riding a bicycle:

- 1. Never ride your bicycle out into a street without stopping first to look both ways.
- 2. Obey stop signs. A child must learn to stop at intersections before crossing.
- 3. Check behind before swerving, turning or changing lanes.
- 4. Never follow another rider without applying the rules. When the first rider violates the rule, the second rider may blindly follow.

Stay safe going back and forth to school and playing with your friends.

Inoperable vehicles

Residents are reminded that inoperable vehicles, or vehicles not displaying current license tags, are prohibited in Housing areas. Major repairs to vehicles are also prohibited. A good rule of thumb is, if your vehicle is not "road ready" and will not be for an extended period, it cannot be located within the Housing areas. Hobby shops are available for major repairs and their use is recommended. Owners of inoperable vehicles found within Housing areas are subject to receive discrepancy notices and possible towing.

Cats and dogs are equal in housing

The housing policies are very simple where pets are concerned. Cats and dogs are not permitted to run loose in the Employee Spotlight

SH2(SW) Edwin Dickerson

Ship's Serviceman Second Class (SW) Edwin Dickerson is a new member of the Bachelor Housing staff. Prior to enlisting in the Navy, Dickerson did an enlistment in the U. S. Army. While in the Navy, he has been assigned to the USS



Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69), USS John Hancock (DD 981), and USS Clifton Sprague (FFG 16). Dickerson's interests include substitute teaching, coaching football, and he is a big fan of NASCAR.

housing area.

The Housing Welcome Center has received a number of complaints about cats being left outside to roam freely. Cats that are left outside climb on vehicles, and their paws leave prints and scratches. The cats defecate in playground areas and in neighbors' flowerbeds. This is very unsanitary for children and adults.

Residents are reminded to ensure that cats do not roam free in the housing area. The cats will be picked up by Goose Creek Animal Control and residents will lose their pet privileges.

Fire Prevention Safety Bulletin

By Samuel Haynes Fire Inspector

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the manufacturers named below, today announced voluntary recalls of Luminessence candles. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of product: Luminessence (TM) T-Lite Candles with Glass Holder

Units: 68,400 Manufacturer/Importer:

Dollar Tree Stores, Inc., of Chesapeake, Va.

Hazard: Paint on the exterior surface of the candles can sustain a flame posing a potential fire hazard.

Incidents/Injuries: Dollar Tree received six reports of candles producing excessive flame and/or igniting. Three of these reports involved minor injuries and three involved minor property damage.

Description: The recalled candles were sold in packages containing eight

tea light candles and one glass holder in the shape of a flower. The 1-inch tall candles were available in either gold or silver. A label affixed to the top of the package containing the recalled candles reads "Luminessence (tm) candles, 8 T-Lite Candles with Glass Holder, NET WT 3.2 oz (EACH 10G)." The label affixed to the bottom of the package reads, "DOLLAR TREE DIST., CHESAPEAKE, VA 23320, MADE IN CHINA."

Sold at: Dollar Tree, Only One Dollar,

Only \$1, Dollar Express, and Dollar Bills retail stores nationwide from September 2003 through October 2003 for \$1. Manufactured in China.

Remedy: Dollar Tree is offering a refund for each returned candle set.

Consumer Contact: For more information, call Dollar Tree Stores, Inc. at

(800) 876-8077 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the company Web site at www.dol-lartree.com.